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FOLLOWING TEL SENT ACTION SECSTATE INFO ADDIS ABABA CAIRO

KHARTOUM LONDON MOGADISCIO

MOSCOW RABAT SANAA FROM

JIDDA 18 MAY.

QUOTE: S E C R E T JIDDA 3505

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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: ARAB SUMMIT STILL NOT FIXED

REF JIDDA 3197 (NOTAL)

1. SAUDI DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER, MOHAMMAD MAS'UD,
TOLD THE AMBASSADOR THIS AFTERNOON (MAY 17) THAT THE
ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM CAIRO AND MOGADISCIO ON AGREEMENT TO HOLD
THE ARAB LEAGUE SUMMIT CONFERENCE ON JUNE 28
WERE NOT RPT NOT CORRECT.

2. THE SAUDI MEETINGS WITH SOMALI PRESIDENT

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SIAD BARRE (REFTEL) DID NOT GO AS WELL AS SIAD

HAS SUBSEQUENTLY SAID. AND SAUDI ARABIA DEFINITELY
DID NOT WITHDRAW ITS OBJECTIONS TO HOLDING THE
MEETING IN MOGADISCIO, SIAD'S STATEMENTS NOT-
WITHSTANDING. MOROCCO SUPPORTS SAUDI ARABIA
ON THIS.

3. MAS'UD SAID THE MATTER WAS STILL UNDER
DEBATE. HE PERSONALLY STRONGLY OPPOSED GOING
TO SOMALIA UNTIL THE ISSUE OF RUSSIAN BASES THERE
HAS BEEN RESOLVED TO THE SATISFACTION OF ALL THE
ARABS. AND HE WAS SURE THAT HIS POSITION HAD NOT
BEEN SECRETLY REVERSED BY FOREIGN MINISTER PRINCE
SAUD OR CROWN PRINCE FAHD.
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